

In the Claims

Claim 1-13. (Cancelled)

Claim 14. (Previously Added) A purified and isolated polypeptide comprising amino acids -37 to 105 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Claim 15. (Currently Amended) The A purified and isolated polypeptide according to 14, wherein said polypeptide comprises comprising amino acids 1 to 105 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Claim 16. (Currently Amended) The purified and isolated polypeptide according to 14 claim 15, wherein the polypeptide consists of amino acids 1 to 105 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Claim 17. (Currently Amended) The purified and isolated polypeptide according to claim 14, wherein the polypeptide consists of amino acids -37 to 105 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Claim 18. (Currently Amended) A purified and isolated polypeptide comprising a span of at least 50 consecutive amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 42, wherein:

- a) said span falls within the 89 carboxyl-terminal amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 42; and
- b) — said polypeptide — promotes — natural — killer — cell — and — cytotoxic — T lymphocyte cytotoxicity.

Claim 19. (Currently Amended) A method of making a polypeptide, said method comprising:

- a) — the step of providing a population of cells comprising a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide according to claim 1415; operably linked to a promoter; —

~~b) — culturing said population of cells under conditions conducive to the production of said polypeptide within said cells; and~~
~~c) — purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.~~

Claim 20. (Currently Amended) A method of making a polypeptide, said method comprising:

a) — ~~the step of providing a population of cells comprising a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide according to claim 18, operably linked to a promoter;~~
b) — ~~culturing said population of cells under conditions conducive to the production of said polypeptide within said cells; and~~
c) — ~~purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.~~

Claim 21. (Currently Amended) The method according to 19, wherein said polynucleotide encodes a polypeptide that comprises amino acids 4-37 to 105 of SEQ ID NO: 42.

Claim 22. (New) A method of making a polypeptide, said method comprising the step of providing a population of cells comprising a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide according to claim 14, operably linked to a promoter.

Claim 23. (New) The method of claim 19, further comprising the step of culturing said population of cells under conditions conducive to the production of said polypeptide within said cells.

Claim 24. (New) The method of claim 19, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.

Claim 25. (New) The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.

Claim 26. (New) The method of claim 20, further comprising the step of culturing said population of cells under conditions conducive to the population of said polypeptide within said cells.

Claim 27. (New) The method of claim 20, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.

Claim 28. (New) The method of claim 26, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.

Claim 29. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of culturing said population of cells under conditions conducive to the population of said polypeptide within said cells.

Claim 30. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.

Claim 31. (New) The method of claim 29, further comprising the step of purifying said polypeptide from said population of cells.